

## ISMAY REGRETTED HE DIDN'T DROWN

Second Officer Says He Seemed Possessed With Idea He Should Have Gone Down.

## IN NO MENTAL CONDITION TO DO BUSINESS

His Mind Affected By Knowledge That Women Had Drowned—Acting Premier of Canada to Aid in Investigation By Obtaining Deposition of a Steamer Captain—Fifth Officer Lowe Ordered Ismay Out of His Way.

Washington, April 24.—Harold G. Lowe, fifth officer of the sunken Titanic, told the senate investigating committee today of his part in the struggle for the survivors of life after the catastrophe. His testimony showed that, with a volunteer crew, he rescued four men from the water, saved a sinking collapsible lifeboat by towing it astern of his, and took off twenty men and one woman from the bottom of an overturned boat. Every one of those under his charge he landed safely on the Carpathia.

From first to last, Lowe's recital demonstrated that he played the man. Ordered away in charge of lifeboat No. 14, he packed it to its full capacity on the top deck and, fearing that some might attempt to jump into it while it was descending, kept up a fusillade from his revolver. Once adrift, he took charge of a flotilla of small craft which were eventually picked up by the rescue ship without loss of a life.

**Saw the Titanic Sink.**  
Competing in interest with the day's testimony was the interchange of telegrams between Senator William Aldrich Smith, chairman, and the acting premier of Canada, George Mealy. The latter mentioned the docking of the steamer Mount Temple at St. John, N. B., with passengers aboard who professed to have seen the Titanic sink. It was believed that the Mount Temple was the ship which was sighted from the White Star liner when she went to the bottom.

**SAW FLOATING BODIES.**  
Passengers on a German liner Wanted to Have Them Picked Up.  
New York, April 24.—More than 100 bodies of the Titanic dead were seen floating on the water by the steamship Bremen, which arrived today from Bremen. The German liner on April 20 passed over the place where the Titanic went down.

Senator Smith has requested that the depositions of the officers and crew of the Mount Temple be sent to him. In addition, he accepted the offer by Dr. F. C. Quitman of Toronto to appear before the committee. Dr. Quitman was one of the passengers who may they say the Titanic sink.

**Acting Premier's Telegram.**  
Acting Premier Mealy's telegram, dated today, follows:  
"Captain Mealy reports received C. Q. D. message from Titanic 12.50 a. m. ship's time, Monday. Was then 50 miles west and south of position sent out by Titanic. Immediately altered course and headed for the position. Did not arrive at her position until 4.30 a. m., when could not see Titanic's light. Saw no sign of ship or boats. Cruised around position until received message from Carpathia at 8.45 a. m. that she had picked up 59 boatloads and that Titanic had sunk. Received another message at 8.50 from Carpathia; no need to stand by, as nothing more could be done. Under these circumstances it does not seem necessary to detain boat due to sail Friday evening. If considered necessary, commission could be appointed to take captain's evidence. Will no doubt be examined later by British commission."

**Asks for Deposition of Captain.**  
In reply Senator Smith despatched the following:  
"Telegram received. I will greatly appreciate if deposition of captain of Mount Temple, which is scheduled to sail from St. John, N. B., tomorrow (Friday), could be taken by commission, as suggested by you, and forwarded to me at Washington, relative to the movements of his ship on Sunday evening, April 14, stating relative position to Titanic and Carpathia, together with a detailed report of wireless messages sent and received."

**Did Not See Titanic's Lights.**  
The committee also received a telegram signed by J. H. Moore, master of the Mount Temple, which is scheduled to sail from St. John, N. B., tomorrow (Friday). He was taken by commission, as suggested by you, and forwarded to me at Washington, relative to the movements of his ship on Sunday evening, April 14, stating relative position to Titanic and Carpathia, together with a detailed report of wireless messages sent and received."

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**NEW YORK BENEFITS.**  
State to Receive Several Millions in Inheritance Taxes.  
Albany, N. Y., April 24.—New York state will receive several million dollars in inheritance taxes from the estates of a number of the victims of the Titanic disaster. It is estimated that between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000 will be paid by the state to the estate of the late John Jacob Astor. The state and the federal government will share the taxes on the estate of the late John Jacob Astor.

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**TO CLEAN OUT DEMOCRATS.**  
AT MERIDEN CITY HALL.  
New Republican Mayor Voted That Power by Aldermen.  
Meriden, Conn., April 24.—Mayor Daniel J. Donovan, who by decision of the supreme court of errors was recently declared mayor, was given power tonight by a majority of the board of aldermen to remove any democratic commissioner he desires from the board of public works, the fire, police and park boards. The vote on the resolution was six republicans in favor to four democrats opposed. Mayor Thomas L. Hedley during his six years in office made the boards strictly partisan, not allowing the republicans a minority representation. Mayor Donovan is expected to remove all the democratic commissioners now that the republicans are in full power. This is the first time the charter provision for removing commissioners by vote of the board of aldermen has probably ever been exercised.

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## Cabled Paragraphs

**Lisbon, Portugal, April 24.**—Many soldiers and civilians were killed today in the course of an encounter between the striking textile workers and a detachment of troops at Villa Nova de Guiza, a suburb of Oporto.

## Condensed Telegrams

**Bubonic Plague Has Broken Out at Caracas, Capital of Venezuela.**  
All of the 10,000 Coal Miners in Ohio resumed work after being idle since April 1.

**Peking, April 24.**—Premier Tang Shao-Kai has practically ignored the demands of the ministers of the United States, Great Britain, Germany and France for the cancellation of the arrangement with the Belgian syndicate for a loan.

**The Allentown Rolling Mills at Allentown, Pa., were destroyed by fire caused by heat from the ore ovens. The loss will be about \$109,000.**

**Copenhagen, Denmark, April 24.**—The Scandinavian-American line today issued a statement that the Hellig Olav, one of their steamers, which was mentioned yesterday's senatorial inquiry into the Titanic disaster as having been near the scene of the collision, was at least 350 nautical miles west of the Titanic at the time of the catastrophe.

**Professional Cracksmen who went to a great deal of trouble to blow the safe in the postoffice at Chappaqua, N. Y., got only \$50 in stamps and money for their pains.**

**Paris, April 24.**—A further crime was added this morning to the long list of the recently committed by the gang of lander anarchists which is terrorizing Paris. Assistent Superintendent Jouin of the Paris detective department was shot dead, and his comrade, Chief Inspector Lecomte, seriously wounded while trying to arrest one of the gang named Galot at Petit Ivry, a suburb of Paris, today.

**The Swananoa Inn, one of the best known of the summer hotels in Liberty, N. Y., was destroyed by fire. The loss is about \$30,000.**

**IOWA REPUBLICANS ENDORSE PRESIDENT.**  
"Favorite Son" Candidacy of Cummins Rejected in State Convention.

**Refugees from Mexico continue to tell of harrowing experiences with Mexican guerrillas and self-styled insurgents in the southern republic.**

**Cedar Rapids, Iowa, April 24.**—President Taft was endorsed by Iowa republicans in their state and congressional convention today, four delegates-at-large to the national convention were instructed to vote for him, his Iowa delegates to support the national convention was increased to 12, and the "favorite son" presidential candidacy of United States Senator Albert B. Cummins was rejected. President Taft having a majority of 41 votes.

**St. Paul's Church, Boston, for the next 25 years, will be the cathedral of the Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts.**

**Denounced Roosevelt.**  
Rhode Island Convention Instructs Delegates for Taft.

**After a Two Hours' Running Fight with a posse of citizens, four robbers who had broken open the vault in the bank of Midland, Ark., escaped with their loot, valued at about \$5,000.**

**Providence, R. I., April 24.**—With harmony and celerity the Rhode Island republicans today selected ten delegates to the national convention, and instructed them to support the candidacy of President Taft until released. Theodore Roosevelt's attitude was denounced amid applause, and the presiding officer at the state convention challenged any one to vote against instructing delegates.

**The Estate of William M. Laffan, publisher of the New York Sun, who died November 19, 1909, is valued at \$1,689,555 in the report of the appraiser, filed yesterday. The estate is left to the widow.**

**The Rhode Island delegation to the Chicago convention will be as follows: Delegates-at-large, United States Senator Henry F. Lippitt, R. P. Goddard, Jr., and Herbert A. Rice of Providence and George H. Lawton of Tiverton; alternate-at-large, Charles A. Wilson, William Gammell, Jr., and Henry O. Potter of Providence, and Rowland Harnard of South Kingstown. From the first district, R. Livingston Beelman; second district, E. Dixon of Bristol; alternates, Clark Burdick of Newport and James G. Bialine, 3d, of Providence.**

**Stockholders of the Westinghouse Air Brake company yesterday voted unanimously to approve the proposition of the board of directors to increase the capital stock from \$14,000,000 to \$20,000,000.**

**From the second district, George B. Wallbridge of Warrrenton and Frank T. Tillinghast of Johnston; alternates, Jesse Sharp of Woonsocket and William J. McCall of Providence. Both the state and district conventions were practically ratification meetings. The actual working time of the state convention was less than 20 minutes, although Congressman George H. Utter, who presided, occupied half an hour in criticizing the Roosevelt policies and in an eloquent appreciation of President Taft.**

**Paterson, N. J., Has a Curfew Law for girls. Delinquents were taken to the police station until their mothers appeared why they were on the streets.**

**The Theodor Roosevelt that we stood by two years ago is not the Theodore Roosevelt of today. Knowing the things that we know now, the time has come for the American people to say that while we had an idol, we have no idol now.**

**Mayor Baker of Cleveland, in an open letter to Governor Harmon, charged that E. H. Moore, the governor's political lieutenant, is circulating evil reports and distorted views of Woodrow Wilson.**

**Willimantic Water System Contaminated.**  
Secretary of State Board of Health Ordered to Take Action.  
Hartford, Conn., April 24.—At the quarterly meeting of the state board of health at the Capital tonight, State Chemist James A. Newlands reported that the water systems of Willimantic and Cromwell were contaminated and that although he had so reported to the proper authorities nothing had been done to remedy the situation. Tests taken within the last six months revealed the presence of germs that cause typhoid fever and other diseases.

**Dr. D. K. Pearsons, aged philanthropist who has given to small colleges treasure in New York, a fortune of between \$5,000,000 and \$7,000,000, is critically ill at his home in Hinsdale Ill., with pneumonia.**

**CRUISER MARYLAND STRUCK BY TORPEDO.**  
Was Hit Nine Feet Below Water Line and Is Being Repaired.  
Los Angeles, April 23.—The United States cruiser Maryland was struck last night by a torpedo during torpedo practice. The torpedo is said to have pierced one of the plates, flooding a compartment. The Maryland is inside the breakerwater and has a decided list to starboard.

**Princess Gantousene, Daughter of the late Major General Frederick D. Grant, reached New York yesterday on the steamship Kaiser Wilhelm II. to attend the funeral of her father on Friday.**

**The accident to the Maryland occurred at 10 o'clock last night while the destroyers Lawrence, Farragut, Coldenburgh and Whipple and the submarine Grampus were firing torpedoes at her. The cruiser was struck nine feet below the water line. Divers were sent over the side to ascertain the damage and the work of repairing has been in progress all day.**

**Harold Kermode, the Six Year Old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kermode, No. 1837 Fairfield avenue, Bridgeport, was struck by a large automobile truck last night and instantly killed by decapitation.**

**Governor Foss Yesterday Signed orders for the extradition of William A. Dorr, under arrest in Stockton, Cal., and indicted on a charge of the murder of George E. Marsh, the aged Lynn shoe manufacturer.**

**The New York Public Service Commission will give a further hearing May 2 upon the application by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad company to acquire the majority stock of the Rutland Railroad company.**

**McBee Acquitted of Murder.**  
Albany, April 24.—John V. McBee of New Orleans, a theatrical manager, was acquitted of the murder of Arthur Brown of Wilkes-Barre, the former first baseman of the Albany league baseball team. The jury announced the verdict after less than four hours' deliberation.

**Kimber Baskin, a Track Walker on the Pennsylvania railroad, was assaulted by three men near Shamokin, Pa., and badly beaten; although he was nearly dead, he managed to flag the first train that passed. The train men found that a short distance in front were three ties laid across the track.**

## HOW HARVESTER SUIT WAS STOPPED

"Please Don't File Suit Until I Hear From You," Wrote Roosevelt to Attorney-General.

## CORRESPONDENCE TURNED OVER TO SENATE

Commissioner Smith of Bureau of Corporations Wrote President That "It Is a Practical Question Whether to Throw Away Great Influence of So-Called Morgan Interests"—Perkins Said Oil Magnates Gave Him the Laugh.

Washington, April 24.—The confidential correspondence which passed between President Roosevelt, Attorney General Bonaparte and Commissioner Herbert Knox Smith of the bureau of corporations in 1907 about a government anti-trust suit against the International Harvester company, was sent to the senate today from the files of the department of justice.

stoner Smith, go over the matter in full and report to me thereon."  
"Please do not file the suit until I hear from you."  
"Sincerely yours,  
(Signed)  
THEODORE ROOSEVELT.  
"Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte,  
Attorney General,  
"Hotel Ashwell, Lenox, Mass."  
("Inclosures.")

**Ordered Not to File Suit.**  
One letter from Colonel Roosevelt to Mr. Bonaparte, written at Oyster Bay on August 22, 1907, said that the Colonel had had talks with George W. Perkins about the company's affairs and directed Mr. Bonaparte not to file the suit, but to go over the matter with Commissioner Smith and Mr. Perkins.

**Had Not Knowingly Violated Law.**  
Commissioner Smith wrote the president that Mr. Perkins outlined the position of the Harvester company as having committed no violation of law which it knew and wished only that the investigation then under way by the department of commerce and labor might be continued. The company was willing to stand prosecution if found to be violating any statutes, he said. The commissioner wrote to the president, in part, as follows:

**Mere Technical Question.**  
A letter from Commissioner Smith to the Colonel on September 21 told of conference with Mr. Perkins and explained Commissioner Smith's objections to a prosecution at that time. The commissioner wrote that he believed that the question of the company's guilt or innocence was merely a technical question and described a conference with Mr. Perkins on August 24.

**Attitude of Morgan Interests.**  
"To the extent of my present understanding, I am satisfied that the facts are as stated by the company, with the single exception that I do not have definite knowledge as to the nature of the case now in the hands of the department of justice, but from the expressions of the attorney general I am inclined to believe that it is as Mr. Perkins stated, a purely technical legal question."

**Perkins Threatened to Fight.**  
Commissioner Smith wrote that Mr. Perkins contended with great emphasis that if after all the endeavors of this company and the other Morgan interests to uphold the policies of the administration, and to adopt their methods of modern publicity, this company now going to be attacked in a purely technical case, the interests he represented "were going to fight."

**Suit Would Be Moral Injustice.**  
"As to the legal question, where this company's organization has been a violation of the Sherman law, I am not particularly interested nor have I any fixed opinion on the subject. I therefore took that the starting of a suit under the Sherman law against this company would be a moral injustice and a reversal of the correct and advanced modern policy of the government in dealing with corporate business."

**Great Influence of So-Called Morgan Interests.**  
Further on, in the same letter, Mr. Smith wrote:  
"While the administration has never hesitated to grapple with any financial interest, no matter how great, when it has been having a substantial wrong being committed, nevertheless it is a very practical question whether it is well to throw away now the great influence of the so-called Morgan interests which up to this time have supported the advanced policy of the administration both in general principles and in the application thereof to their specific interests and to place them generally in opposition. I believe Mr. Perkins' statement that his interest would necessarily be active into active opposition was a sincere one, and, in fact, I can hardly see how those great interests can take any other attitude should this prosecution be started and the final adoption of this policy be made public."

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**Oil Trust Gave Perkins "the Laugh."**  
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**It Is Alleged that Steamers on the Rhine that engage in heavy tourist traffic in summer, carry only one lifeboat for an average load of 2,000 passengers. The German newspapers are demanding an official investigation.**

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**Rev. Dr. J. Frank Norris, pastor of the First Baptist church at Port Worth, Tex., on trial charged with perjury, was declared not guilty by a jury in his indictment charging arson is yet to be tried.**

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**C. T. Lunt, Head of the Bookkeeping department of the United States treasury in New York, one of the most prominent Masons in the country, dropped dead in the Kennel hotel at Lockport, N. Y., from acute indigestion.**

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